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In the book of life, the answers aren't in the back. Charlie Brown

I value the friend who for me finds time on his calendar, but I cherish the friend who for me does not consult his calendar. Robert Brault

(When told that every comedian at some time in their life wants to play Hamlet): Nah, not me. I don't care if I never play one a dem small towns ever again. Jimmy Durante



# Fun Firsts of



Coloring Contest, Face Painting, Pumpkin Decorating, & More



Children's Photo Exhibit Open to all school age children ~ entered photos will be displayed and available for sale. Call Frank at 410-476-3170 to get more information and to participate.



## Singing In the Park

Curtis Thume, Ellery Adams & Rescue Team, Scott's United Methodist Choir & more...

Crafters Tables Crafts, Art, Calligraphy, Quilting and Handmade Items for display and sale. Call 410-476-3170 to participate. All crafters and artist are welcome. Spaces available for \$5, bring your

own table and chairs.

GOOD EATS Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Funnel Cakes, Apple Dumplings, Pies, Ice Cream, Crab Cakes, Chili & Soups, all prepared locally and for sale throughout the town at churches, park & firehouse...

the 20th Century

First Microwave Oven October 25, 1955

## A Small Town Fall Festival

October 21st ~ Noon till 5ish

Rain or Shine

Scales & Tails Come see the DNR presentation of Birds of Prey and Reptiles



Trappe Plein Air Painting Call Mary Getsinger at 410-476-3035 to participate.



Town Wide Yard Sales ~ Starting at 8 am through out the town. Including boats, cars, motorcycles & more. Everybody is welcome to join. Call 410-476-3170 to be included on the town map showing yard sales and events.

Maps will be available at Rt 50 and Maple & Main showing locations of yard sales and locations for Festival Events. Call Trappe Town Hall for more info: 410-476-3170.

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## NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

Town Meetings and Planning Commission Meetings are open to the public. Citizens are encouraged to attend to be informed and give input. Meeting agendas are posted outside Town Hall every Friday, and items are added as requested (which can be as late as Wednesday morning) and re-posted with each change. An early agenda is posted on the Town website, but may not always include the latest changes. Stop by the Town Hall on Wednesday evenings and learn first-hand about the many happenings in our town. For more information, call the Town Clerk at 410.476.3170.

- Town Meetings are held the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm
- Planning Commission Meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7:30 pm
- Public Hearings, Public Workshops, Special Appeals Hearings, etc. are scheduled as needed, and are often held prior to regular meetings shown above

Ordinance 6-2006: Design Guideline Changes for Lakeside (formerly "Trappe East") This ordinance was introduced at the July Town Meeting. In February 2006, the Town adopted PN (Planned Neighborhood) PUD (Planned Unit Development) zoning for this development. Since then, refinements and minor changes have been made to the design guidelines. The developer has requested approval and incorporation of these changes into the subdivision documents. Following a favorable recommendation by the Planning Commission in July and Public Hearing on September 6, 2006, the Town Council approved and adopted this ordinance.

<u>Ordinance 7-2006: Zoning Ordinance Reformatting</u> The Town Council introduced this ordinance at the August Town Meeting. The ordinance repeals and reenacts the zoning ordinance in its entirety to reflect the replacement of a handwritten version with a computer generated version. The revision changes <u>only</u> the formatting of the document itself; it does <u>not</u> change or affect any zoning regulations or laws whatsoever. The organization of the document has been extensively reviewed and improved with reformatting, renumbering, and re-referencing. The new document is more user-friendly and in digital form, making it adaptable to email and other electronic applications. Following a Public Hearing on September 6, 2006, the ordinance was approved and adopted by the Town Council.

Lakeside (formerly "Trappe East") Special Taxing District Update Resolution 2-2006, passed in June 2006, established the boundaries of a Special Taxing District within the Lakeside project. The Special Taxing District would encompass only residential property within the Lakeside project. Municipal revenue bonds would be taken out, repayable solely from the revenue imposed in the Special Taxing District. The bond revenue would help fund public works for the project, including sewer & water and public improvements with the potential to be dedicated to the Town. The developer would bear all administrative costs relative to tax collection and bond administration. Creation of this tax district and its bond liability would not result in any expense to the Town or impinge on the Town's ability to borrow other necessary funds. It would not affect the Town's credit rating. Lakeside residents would have the option to pay the special tax in full or over time. In the event of transfer or ownership, the special tax would convey with the property until the tax is paid in full. A follow-up resolution is necessary to establish the terms of taxation and bonds. The Town Attorney has consulted with the developer's legal counsel and independent consultant to begin this process. Mr. Keenan Rice, president of Municap, Inc., an economic development consulting firm in Ellicot City, MD made a presentation to the Town Council at a Special Meeting held August 16, 2006. Municap administers 60-65 tax districts along the East Coast and beyond. Mr. Rice explained that special tax districts allow public improvements to be built ahead of homes. All expenses of administering the tax district will be funded by the special tax. The district is funded by a trust created from a limited bond offering to investors in tax exempt money market funds. Mr. Rice explained the rate and method apportionment, property classifications, collection, prepayment, reporting, and other terms of the special tax. Municap would be responsible for the coordination and administration of the Special Tax District, including calculations per lot, monitoring funds, transfers and trustee transactions, reporting to IRS, and providing "continuing disclosure" to investors. The town will need to appoint a tax collector. Formal documents, including attached exhibits detailing proposed rate and method for review by the Town Council are expected to be available by the October Town Meeting, following review by the Town attorneys and bond counsel.

<u>Update: Joining Non-Tidal Flood Program</u> The Town Council approved Resolution 5-2006, which allows participation in the National Flood Insurance Program for non-flood-prone communities. The paperwork has been approved by the program, and town citizens may now secure insurance against flood damage caused by excessive rain, faulty sump pumps, etc. This coverage is available via local insurance agencies.

**Sprinkler Systems in Single Family Homes** The Town Council discussed the feasibility of mandating sprinkler systems in single family homes. Fire Chief Ben Diefenderfer gave input regarding safety, effectiveness, and cost. The council decided to leave sprinkler systems as a personal choice in new and existing single family homes, but to take an informational approach by having information available for builders and homeowners considering installing sprinkler systems.



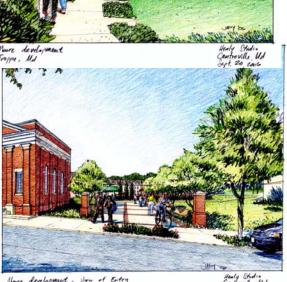
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**P.E. Moore & Sons Downtown Development** The architect for the project presented the Planning Commission with additional concept plans showing the layout of 18 residential townhouses in a curved crescent formation, 5 single-story garden units, and a single two-story house. Townhouses will be constructed with clapboard siding in neutral colors, architectural shingles, brick accents, with fireplaces and bay windows on end units. The project received site plan approval from the Planning Commission contingent upon minor design variations to the townhouses and engineering approval from the Town's engineers, Davis, Bowen and Freidel.





## FROM THE TOWN CLERK:



- As leaves begin to fall, please be reminded of the Town's Burning Regulations, which require that
- All burning in the Town of Trappe shall be conducted in daylight hours but not before 4:00 p.m. All fires must be extinguished before sundown.
- Wind speed must be under 10 mph
- Fire Hazard Class 1, 2, or 3 (as determined by the Fire Department)
- An adult age 21 or over must be in attendance in the immediate area during the entire duration of the fire.
- Fires may be no closer than 25 feet from any building or other structure and at least 15 feet from any fence and not less than 10 feet must be cleared around the perimeter of the fire area.
- No structure may be burned without obtaining a permit from the Trappe Fire Department
- If a fire or smoke becomes offensive or dangerous to surrounding property, the Trappe Fire Department shall have the authority to extinguish said fire.

For more information or to read the regulations in their entirety, please visit or call the Town Office

## NEXT BULK TRASH PICKUP WILL BE FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27<sup>TH</sup>.

Seasonal Reminders: Tree limbs, posts, and boards must be cut to no longer than 3 ft. (36") - Sticks must be tied in bundles - No more than 8 bags of leaves per household - Leaves must be tied in bags and are limited to 60 lbs. - The town recommends that town residents take advantage of the recycle drop offs located by the Trappe Fire House and Shore Stop. By using the recycle drop offs for glassware, newspapers, plastic items, etc, will reduce the cost of trash collections, keeping down tax rates. - REMEMBER: leaves make an excellent addition to your mulch or compost pile. While cleaning out your garage, please keep in mind that the Easton landfill will hold a **Hazardous Household Waste and Electronics Day on November 4**th. The landfill accepts car batteries at the recycling center. For lots more information about disposal and recycling, visit www.midshorerecycling.org



FOR SALE: All proceeds benefit the Town of Trappe Christmas Decoration Fund TRAPPE POTTERY

Beautiful, ceramic pottery pieces of all kinds ~ Ovenproof, Microwavable, Dishwasher-safe

Many pieces to choose from ~ including commemorative designs for Town churches Perfect gifts for holidays, birthdays, weddings, anniversaries, housewarmings, collectors & more

Pottery will be on display and for sale at Trappe-toberfest

**TRAPPE-TOBERFEST** Be sure to check out food vendors - Scotts UMC, St Pauls, Trappe UMC, TVFD, Mitchum's Market Place, Healthy Culinary Connections & more located through out town. Yard Sales start at 8 am. Festival Events start at Noon in the Old Ball Park.





## Healthy Culinary Connections

On September 21st, Hosts Grand Opening Healthy Culinary Connections, located at 4014 Main Street (across the street from Mitchum's Market) held an Open House & Ribbon Cutting. Shown (left to right) are Carla Cronin (Talbot Chamber of Commerce Ambassador), Frank Hall (Town Planner), Ann Harris, Don Duncan (candidate for Judge-Orphan's Court), Karen Hollis (Healthy Culinary Connections Nutrition Consultant), Al Silverstein (President, Talbot Chamber of Commerce), Lynne Harris (Healthy Culinary Connections Owner/Nutrition Consultant), Steve Harris, Marilyn Jones (Lynne's mother), Delegate Addie Eckardt, Delegate Jeannie Haddaway, Stacey Radcliffe (In a Pinch! Dinners assistant), and Don English (Trappe Town Commissioner).

Be sure to stop in *Healthy Culinary Connections* during *Trappe-toberfest* for hearty soup and homemade bread. Festival goers will also have the opportunity to experience *Healthy Culinary Connections*' dinner assembly service, *In a Pinch! Dinners*, a dinner assembly service offered monthly. Come in and

assemble dinner for your family to be enjoyed that evening or frozen for a future meal. Patrons come to the center, where raw ingredients and a recipe to follow are provided to put dinner together; cooking and final preparation are done at home. "We provide you with the ingredients and you dirty our kitchen, not yours!" says Lynne Harris. "All dinner entree recipes are planned and analyzed by our staff of Registered Dietitians, and include suggestions for side items and suggested accompanying wine (generally available for purchase at Mitchum's Market), if desired." An entree that serves 4-6 costs \$19.50; an entree that serves 2-4 costs \$11.50. We will have both meat and meatless entree selections available on Festival day for assembly. For more information, please contact Lynne Harris, owner of *Healthy Culinary Connections* at 410.476.9776 or info@healthyculinaryconnections.com.



## NACE'S DAY ~ October 14, 2006 ~ Celebrating Maryland Emancipation Day

1867 – 2006 ~ The longest continuously running celebration on the Eastern Shore of Md.

Church Service 9 a.m. ~ Gravesite Visit at Noon ~ Parade at 1:00

AS ALWAYS: Inspirational Services, Buffalo Soldiers, Exciting Parade, Lots of Fun, Music & Great Food

For more information about Nace's Day activities, please contact Scotts United Methodist Church at 410.476.3980 or sumc@goeaston.net.

Pictured: Members of Scotts United Methodist Church stand beside a sign about the life and accomplishments of Nathaniel "Nace" Hopkins after presenting trophies to parade participants in 2005.

## NEWS FROM: The White Marsh Elementary GRANDPARENT'S CLUB

The Grandparent's Club will sponsor a **Silent Auction and Raffle for Grandparents Day (November 17th)** this year. The club is currently gathering items for the auction and would greatly appreciate any and all donations. To make a donation, please call **Nancy Collins at 410.228.7963**. (Nancy and her husband Fred have also donated use of their condominium in Ocean City for the raffle prize!) Mrs. Betsy Willey, president of the club, extends an invitation to all grandparents and grandparent figures of students at White Marsh to attend the **next meeting on October 10th at 10:00 a.m.** in the school's conference room.



## Be an Informed Voter in the Upcoming School Board & County Council Elections Talbot County Public Schools Offers These Suggestions When Considering Candidates:

- Candidates that have a history of visible support and/or volunteerism for public schools
- Candidates that will represent the interests of students and parents regardless of which school they attend or which district they live in
- Candidates that are "blind" to ethnicity, gender or income
- Candidates that are supporters of funding levels consistent with need and available revenue
- Candidates that are willing to devote the time necessary to understand the educational issues under deliberation
- Candidates that are nonpartisan community service volunteers that have Talbot children's best interests at heart
- Candidates that do not have a pre-set agenda or a single issue
  - Candidates that have high expectations for academic excellence



# OCTOBER IS FIRE PREVENTION MONTH COME TO OUR

OCTOBER 21ST

TRAPPE-TOBERFEST

11 AM TO 5 PM

- **Blood Pressure Checks**
- 911 Call Demonstrations for Children

TRAPPE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPT.

- **Fire Extinguisher Demonstrations** 
  - Visit with your local Volunteer Firemen
  - **Kids Pictures in Fire Gear**



HAMBURGERS. HOTDOGS + SODAS

FREE POPCORN

TOBY TALBOT

CAKE WHEEL

CALL 410-476-3535 to donate cakes or JUST DROP THEM OFF AT THE FIREHOUSE SATURDAY MORNING



Demo & **Display** by Seven Sisters Quilting Guild

## Girls Night Out Friday October 27th

An evening of food & fashion @ Easton Elks Lodge #1622 Call 410-820-4740 for information & tickets Benefits Talbot County Family Support Center

## **CHURCH NEWS...**



## FAITH CHAPEL ANNUAL HOMECOMING

Celebrating 225 years of Methodism in the Trappe District Sunday, October 8,  $2006 \sim 2:00 \text{ pm}$ at Faith Chapel, Bruceville

Guest Speaker: Rev. Philip Lawton, Peninsula-Delaware Conference Historian from Felton-Viola UMC Special music by: The Old Friends Gospel Group Covered dish dinner on the church grounds following the service.



## October is NATIONAL BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

A recent study shows that eating the right number of calories and getting enough exercise—not just one or the other—are the best defenses against breast cancer. Three factors to learn:

- Body mass index (BMI) Check out www.cdc.gov/nccdphp/dnpa/bmi/ index.htm. If you fall into the "overweight" or "obese" categories, then begin making changes to your diet and exercise habits to get yourself into the "normal" range.
- Activity level. Keep a journal of all your activity. That includes housework, walking, gardening and taking the stairs—anything that get you moving. Tally up our time for the week. It it's less than 3 hours, find ways to add activity to your

Caloric intake: Have no idea how many calories you should consume each day to maintain your weight? Find out at mayoclinic.com/health/calorie-calculator/ NU00598. Then keep a daily food journal listing all calories you consume to see Source: USA Weekend, "FitSmart" how you're doing.

NURTURING PARENT EDUCATION The Talbot County Dept. of Social Services is offering the "Nurturing Parent Education" course again this fall. The course is for parents of young children and begins on Wednesday, October 4th. The class meets at 5:30 for a light dinner and class runs from

> 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. Childcare is provided and parents are encouraged to bring their children. Parent Educator Coordinator, Laura Roth, teaches the class. If interested, please call 410.770.5750 or stop by the Social Services office at 301 Bay St. in Easton.





Girl Scouting builds girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. JOIN THE FUN: Girl scouts are organizing troops for all age levels (Daisy, Brownie, Junior & Cadette). For more information, please contact Barbara Coleman,

Trappe Area Organizer at 410-476-3128 or barbarajohn@verizon.net.



To my mother, Kim Anderson on Oct 2nd. From Holly K. Anderson. Communications Specialist II / Talbot County Emergency Management Agency

# October 2006

Delicious autumn! My very soul is wedded to it, and if I were a bird I would fly about the earth seeking the successive autumns. ~George Eliot

| Sun   | Mon  | Tue   | Wed  | Thu   | Fri  | Lat  |
|---|--|---|--|---|--|--|
| 1 Breast Cancer Awareness Month Brown's Day Scotts UMC 3:30 pm  | 2 Vom Kippur October 2  WMES PTO 6:30 pm   | 3 Mitchum's Market 5-7 Wine Tasting EHS 7 pm Band Boosters                            | 4 Trappe Town Council Meeting: 7:30 pm   | 5<br>Brownies &<br>Jr Girl Scouts<br>WMES 4 pm  | 6 St Paul's Friday Morning Painters & Lunch 9:30 am  WMES Drop In Basketball 6:15 pm   | 7 TVFD Monthly Siren Test  |
| 8 Faith Chapel Homecoming Dinner 2 PM   | O COLUMBUS DAY<br>TOWN OFFICE<br>CLOSED<br>Trappe Rural Life<br>Museum Town Hall 7 pm<br>Support Our Sports<br>Meeting EHS 7 pm  | 10 Grandparents Club Mtg WMEs 10 am Daisy Troop Mtg WMES 6:30 PM TVFD Meeting 7:30 pm | TCPS Early Dismissal Lions Club 6:30 pm United Meth Women 7 pm Republican Women 7pm                    | 12 EMS 7:30 am<br>Parent Coffee                 | 13 St Paul's Painters & Lunch 9:30 am  WMES Drop In Basketball 6:15 pm   | 14 Trappe UMC 7:00-10:00 am Country Church Breakfast / Yard Sale NACES DAY SERVICE & GRAVESIDE VISIT 1 pm PARADE |
| Emmanuel Wesleyan<br>Sunday School 9:00 am<br>Service 10:30 am<br>Fellowship 5:15 pm<br>Eve Service 6 pm<br>Scott's UMC<br>Sunday Service 9 am<br>St Paul's | National Boss Day  National Boss Day  October 16   | 17 Bible Study Hosted By Drake & Elizabeth 1 pm Every Tuesday All are welcome!!       | WMES off campus 18 Evacuation drill Trappe Planning Commission 7:30 pm TCPS Brd Mtg 7 pm EHS Cafeteria | 19<br>Brownies &<br>Jr Girl Scouts<br>WMES 4 pm | 20 St Paul's Painters & Lunch 9:30 am TCPS Schools Closed  | 21TRAPPE-<br>TOBERFEST<br>Yard Sales 8am<br>TVFD Open<br>House 11am<br>Festival Events - Noon                    |
| Holy Eucharist 9 am<br>Sunday School 9 am<br>Trappe UMC<br>Sunday School 9:45 am<br>Service 11 am<br>Faith Chapel<br>Service 8:45 am<br>DAYLIGHT            | 23   | 24 Daisy Troop Mtg<br>WMES 6:30 PM  | 25 Lions Club 6:30 pm  | 26  | St Paul's  27 Friday Morning Painters & Lunch 9:30 am  BULK TRASH P-UP  WMES Drop In Basketball 6:15 pm  | Trappe UMC 7-10 am Church Breakfast & Yard Sale 7:30pm 4th Sat Youth   |
| SAVINGS TIME 29 Fall Behind Set your clocks back  | ME and me submission by your submission of the submission by your submission of the submission by your submi |   |  |   | Do you have an announcement you would like to share? An anniversary, birthday, or celebration? Submit news item along with your water bill or send them to the Town Office or to <i>Index</i> writer, Ann Dorbin: 410.476.3910, trappeindex @verizon.net.  Local Church/Bible Study/Programs |  |

Trick or Treating will he held Tuesday, October 31st 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Trappe Volunteer Fire Department invites you to HALLOWEEN OPEN HOUSE on October 31, 2006 from 6-8pm. Come have a snack, rest your feet and/or socialize with the locals. Family fun for all!

## FALL IS A GREAT TIME TO GET **OUTDOORS & HELP "SAVE THE BAY"**

## Saturday, October 14 ~ 10 am - 4 pm: Celebrating Blackwater Refuge and the Bay! An Appreciation Event for Everyone Walk, Skate, Bike or Drive!

Chesapeake Bay Foundation (CBF), Eastern Shore Land Conservancy (ELSC), and Dorchester Citizens for Planned Growth (DCPG) invite you to spend a day touring Dorchester County and Blackwater Refuge, which at this time of year offers spectacular scenery, a bevy of migrating waterfowl, and a variety of biking, birding and walking opportunities for people of all abilities and ages. Whether you choose to stroll a short path through the woods, drive or bike the 3- or 6-mile refuge "Loop Roads" with your children, or are an avid cyclist looking for a longer 25-mile ride, there is something for you. Enjoy a morning and return for an Open House of activities at that includes music, local exhibitors, kid's activities, and marvelous local food. This event is also part of CBF's new Cyclist for the Bay program (find more info and take the Cyclist for the Bay pledge at cbf.org/cyclists).

## Sunday, October 22~12:30 - 4 pm: Hollywood Farm, just outside Trappe

Join us to plant and re-plant small trees and shrubs in an upland wetland area! Doing work on this large farm is becoming a popular annual event. Groups are welcome! Contact us at hotcinfo@cbf.org or 410.543.1999.



The Friends of the Trappe Rural Life Museum will have a display at Trappe-toberfest. For more information, contact Charles Adams at 410.673.9009 or cbamra@comcast.net.

2nd Wednesday - 7 pm United Methodist Women

St Paul's Preschool 8:45 - 11:45 am / M - F

### **Trappe United Methodist Church**

Bible Study - call 410-476-3384 for dates/times/topics Wednesday: Yard Sale Open 8:30 am - Noon Thursday: 1st, 2nd, 4th & 5th 5:45 pm Youth Choir & 7 pm Adult Choir practice

### **Scotts United Methodist Church**

Food Pantry 3 - 6 pm on school days Tuesday 1st & 2nd: Men's Bible Study 6 pm Wednesdays 11 am Young @ Heart Wednesdays 2 pm Midday Study 7 pm Evening Study Wednesdays Thursday 5:30 pm Youth Praise Dept.

